



# SC Annual School Report Card Summary

**CHOICES**  
**Darlington County**  
**Grades: 6-11** **Enrollment: 9**  
**Principal: Mr. Erik Lownsberry**  
**Superintendent: Dr. Rainey H. Knight**  
**Board Chair: Warren Jeffords**

## PERFORMANCE

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YEAR	ABSOLUTE RATING	GROWTH RATING	PALMETTO GOLD AND SILVER AWARD		ESEA/FEDERAL ACCOUNTABILITY RATING SYSTEM	
			General Performance	Closing the Gap	ESEA Grade	Accountability Indicator
2013	Average	Excellent	TBD	TBD	I	N/A
2012	At-Risk	At-Risk	N/A	N/A	I	N/A
2011	At-Risk	At-Risk	N/A	N/A	Not Met	N/A

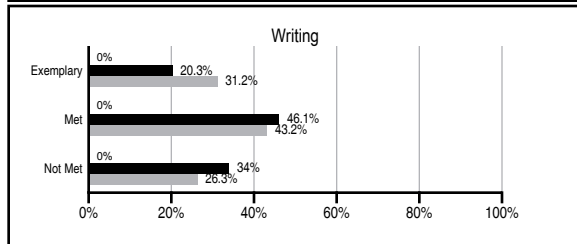
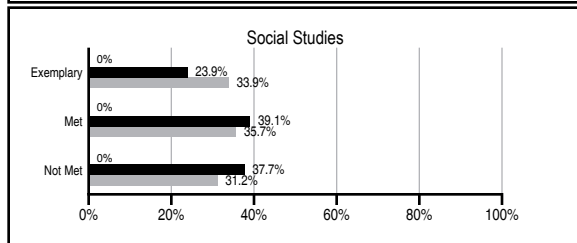
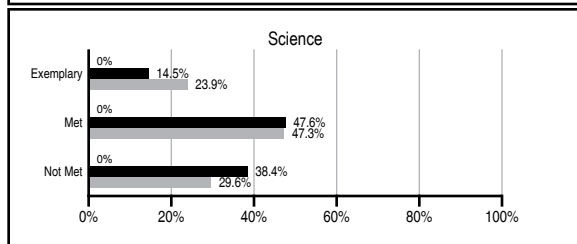
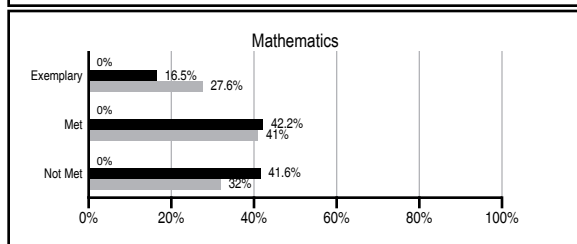
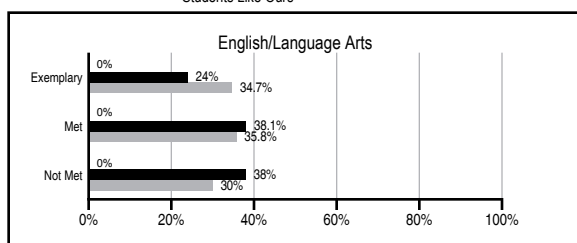
## ABSOLUTE RATINGS OF MIDDLE SCHOOLS WITH STUDENTS LIKE OURS\*

EXCELLENT	GOOD	AVERAGE	BELOW AVERAGE	AT-RISK
0	1	42	15	2

\* Ratings are calculated with data available by 01/15/2014. Schools with Students Like Ours are Middle Schools with Poverty Indices of no more than 5% above or below the index for this school.

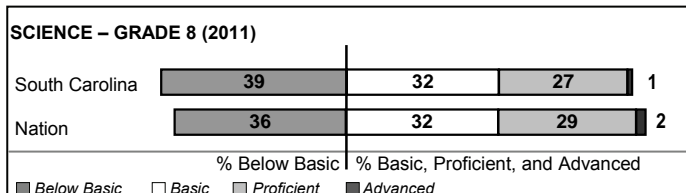
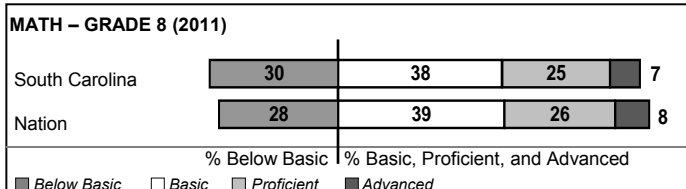
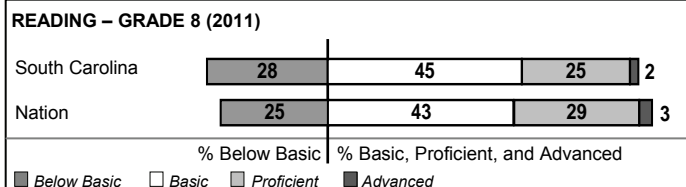
## PASS PERFORMANCE

Our School Middle Schools with Students Like Ours Middle schools statewide



## NAEP PERFORMANCE\*

\* Performance reported for SC and nation, data not available at school level. Percentages at NAEP Achievement Levels.



## END OF COURSE TESTS - 2013

% of students scoring 70 or above on:	Our Middle School	Middle Schools with Students Like Ours
Algebra 1/Math for the Technologies 2	N/A	94.0
English 1	N/A	90.4
Physical Science	N/A	N/A
US History and the Constitution	N/A	N/A
All Subjects	N/A	94.6

## SC PERFORMANCE VISION

*By 2020 all students will graduate with the knowledge and skills necessary to compete successfully in the global economy, participate in a democratic society and contribute positively as members of families and communities.*

### Abbreviations Key

N/A Not Applicable N/AV Not Available N/C Not Collected N/R Not Reported I/S Insufficient Sample TBD To be determined

# CHOICES [Darlington County]

## SCHOOL PROFILE

	Our School	Change from Last Year	Middle Schools with Students Like Ours	Median Middle School
<b>Students (n=9)</b>				
Students enrolled in high school credit courses (grades 7 & 8)	N/R	N/R	16.4%	24.6%
Retention rate	8.3%	Up from 2.3%	0.8%	0.6%
Attendance rate	88.8%	Down from 89.2%	95.5%	95.9%
Served by gifted and talented program	0.0%	N/A	11.8%	18.5%
With disabilities	8.3%	N/A	15.0%	13.0%
Older than usual for grade	25.0%	N/A	6.5%	4.8%
Out-of-school suspensions or expulsions for violent and/or criminal offenses	N/R	N/R	0.6%	0.6%
Annual dropout rate	0.0%	Down from 4.8%	0.0%	0.0%
<b>Teachers (n=0)</b>				
Teachers with advanced degrees	N/A	N/A	60.9%	61.5%
Continuing contract teachers	N/A	N/A	72.2%	77.2%
Teachers returning from previous year	N/A	N/A	82.6%	85.9%
Teacher attendance rate	N/R	N/R	94.7%	94.9%
Average teacher salary*	I/S	I/S	\$45,869	\$47,313
Classes not taught by highly qualified teachers	90.0%	Down from 100.0%	2.1%	2.0%
Professional development days/teacher	N/R	N/R	10.9 days	10.1 days
<b>School</b>				
Principal's years at school	N/R	N/R	3.0	4.0
Student-teacher ratio in core subjects	N/R	N/R	20.8 to 1	22.1 to 1
Prime instructional time	N/R	N/R	88.9%	89.6%
Opportunities in the arts	N/R	N/R	Good	Good
SACS accreditation	N/R	N/R	Yes	Yes
Parents attending conferences	N/R	N/R	98.7%	99.0%
Character development program	N/R	N/R	Good	Good
Dollars spent per pupil**	\$8,090	Down 3.7%	\$8,089	\$7,239
Percent of expenditures for instruction**	73.0%	Down from 74.0%	62.0%	63.0%
Percent of expenditures for teacher salaries**	58.0%	Down from 58.4%	57.0%	61.0%
ESEA composite index score	N/A	N/A	71.4	83.5

\* Length of contract = 185+ days.

\*\* Prior year audited financial data available.

## EVALUATION RESULTS

	Teachers	Students*	Parents*
Number of surveys returned	1	31	23
Percent satisfied with learning environment	N/A	87.1%	95.7%
Percent satisfied with social and physical environment	N/A	82.2%	100%
Percent satisfied with school-home relations	N/A	89.3%	100%

\*Only students at the highest middle school grade level at this school and their parents were included.

## REPORT OF PRINCIPAL AND SCHOOL IMPROVEMENT COUNCIL

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NI Newly Identified CSI Continuing School Improvement CA Corrective Action RP Plan to Restructure R Restructure DELAY School Improvement Status HOLD School Improvement Status